

Silver Lake Neighborhood Council
GOVERNING BOARD
REGULAR MEETING Minutes - APPROVED
Wednesday, October 5, 2016
7:00 p.m.
Ivanhoe Elementary School
2828 Herkimer St
Los Angeles, CA 90039

1. Call to Order

The meeting began at 7:05pm.

2. Roll Call

Attending Board Members:

Anne Marie Johnson, Co-Chair
Heather Carson, Co-Chair
Patty Jausoro, Treasurer
Scott Plante, Secretary
Antonio Stifano
Douglas J. Loewy
Elizabeth Torres
Rusty Millar
Terrence Jackson
Bob Lisauskas
Betsy Smith Isroelit
Barbara Ringuette
Adam Somilleda
Glenn Harrell
Tracey Woolfolk

Non-Attending Board Members:

Stacey Boucher (Excused)
Jerome Courshon (Excused)
Jia Gu (Absent)
Caroline Pham (Excused)
Taryn Poole (Excused)
Nicolas Somilleda (Excused)

3. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Mr. Bill Larson – Former board member Nadine Trujillo called regarding property with transient population. Building & Safety has cited property owner who resides in Reseda. Property is labeled as Red Car Property. Larson left card and phone number with Council.
- B. Mr. Mitchell X – Recently elected Treasurer of Rampart Village Council, came to introduce self and extend wish to partner and discuss homeless population under the 101 freeway as the location borders on Silver Lake, Rampart Village, and East LA.
- C. Ms. Jacqueline Marshall – Contemporary Performance Collective. Neighborhood Council sponsored free concert of chamber music performed and composed by Los Angeles natives and came with a framed photo as a token of her appreciation. Co-chairs Anne-Marie Johnson & Heather Carson reviewed and accepted gift.

- D. Chief Butler LAFD – Recently took over West Area of LAFD which serves Silver Lake community. Came to introduce self, left business cards.
 - E. Ms. Genelle X - Music Box Steps Day. 22nd annual event held on October 15th. Screening of film shot in Silver Lake. Left postcards detailing the event. Reporting CD13 has provided canopy and other necessities for event.
 - F. Board Member Barbara Ringuette promoting October 8th event: Planning 101
 - G. Board Member Rusty Millar – Business cards have wrong number & requests minutes reflect absent board members' excuses.
4. Special Presentations and Reports
- 4.1 Mitch O'Farrell, CD13 - Mary Rodriguez
Various updates:
- Silver Lake Reservoirs Complex Community meeting – Councilmembers Mitch O'Farrell, David Ryu (CD4), LADWP Marty Adams & Susan Rowghani held meeting for 350 residents at John Marshall High School to provide updates on reservoir construction & discuss plans on returning water to the reservoir. LADWP research indicated that the best and most time efficient way to return water would be a new option – groundwater from a nearby well at LADWP site in Elysian Valley. Bypass construction scheduled for completion December or January and work would begin to return water in May 2017.
 - Silver Lake Reservoir Complex Overnight Parking District (OPD) – Sept. 20 LADOT installed an OPD at Armstrong Ave. & Silver Lake Blvd. around the southern perimeter to Van Pelt Place and north on W Silver Lake Dr. to Ballmer Ave. New Signage states: *"No Parking 2Am – 6am except by Permit" or Tow Away No Stopping Any Time. CD13 office received a petition from residents concerned with safety due to the many people living in their vehicles parked in front of their homes.*
 - Reservoir Historic Monument Signage – LADOT installed signage around reservoir recognizing:
Silver Lake & Ivanhoe Reservoirs
Engineer – William Mulholland
Build 1906 Declared 1989
Historic Cultural Monument No. 422
City of Los Angeles Cultural Heritage Commission
 - Vendome Median tree trimmed
 - Bellevue Recreation Center – New Sidewalk
 - Plata Street Neighborhood Watch – Residents living near Hoover Street and the 101 Freeway hosted a Neighborhood Watch meeting to discuss public safety concerns related to the homeless encampment under the freeway. CD13 office along with Rampart LAPD, Caltrans, and Senator Jimmy Gomez's office listened to residents and explained what can and cannot be done according to law. Bureau of Street lighting is working to install LED lighting in the underpass hoping it will deter criminal activity.

- Improved Lighting – LED Lights installed at: Silver Lake Blvd. under Sunset Blvd; Vendome Ave, Hoover & Virgil under the 101 FWY. More improvements to come.
- Sunset Blvd. Curve at Maltman Ave. – CD13 office with Bureau of Street Services, LADOT, and Bureau of Street Lighting have been discussing ways to improve the intersection of Sunset Blvd. & Maltman Ave due to traffic accidents and fatalities that have occurred this year. New Bump-outs at NW & NE edge of Sunset Triangle Plaza in front of Yummy.com. New bump-outs at NW & NE corners w/ sidewalk, curb, gutter, and new access ramp is being considered. Moving bus stop to corner of Edgecliffe Dr. from Maltman Ave. Currently seeking funding.
- Silver Lake Dog Park – Encouragement to vote for Silver Lake Dog Park in the Beneful Dream Dog Park Contest. Winning park gets \$20,000 worth of improvements to the Dog Park. Voting can occur once a day, Twitter account is necessary.

Further issues recorded in handout received by Council.

Seeing no questions, SLNC co-chair Anne-Marie Johnson moved to the next point.

4.2 David Ryu, CD4 - Adam Miller
Various updates:

- Addressed concerns regarding Hyperion Blvd. homeless population and personal belonging storage. Reported LAPD will be cleaning area in mid-month. Town Hall about Silver Lake Reservoir to be scheduled.
- Board Member Glenn Harrell raised concerns regarding safety of Hyperion Boulevard. Women in neighborhood feel unsafe. Question addressed as LAPD will be addressing homeless population & sanitizing area.
- Concern raised about Myra Blvd. homeless pop. Mary Rodriguez cited improved lighting.

5. ADMINISTRATIVE

5.1. Approval of September 2016 Governing Board Minutes

Council Member Rusty Millar introduces motion to amend minutes to reflect clarification: Page 13.6 lines from the bottom change “air spaces” to “stair cases”

Introduced: Rusty Millar, Seconded: Patty Jausoro
Passes w/ 1 correction

6. FINANCE AND BUDGET

6.1. Discussion and Possible Action (Treasurer):
Approval of September 2016 MER

Postponed until November NC meeting.

7. OLD BUSINESS

None

8. CONSENT

None

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1. MOTION (Bylaws and Standing Rules Committee):

Amendments to Article X to increase the age of eligibility to run and vote.

Rusty Millar motions, Glenn Harrell seconds.

Roll call vote.

Motion passes unanimously.

9.2 MOTION (Reservoir Committee):

Move the Neighborhood Council provide up to \$250 of matching funds with the Silver Lake Conservancy to purchase dog bags.

Moved by Committee. Rusty Millar seconds.

Suggested by Terrence Jackson to move dog bags to perimeter.

Board discussed moving forward with spending up to \$250 only if other entities matched those funds. If not, no further monies to be provided for bags. If monies are matched, we decided that after that our board would no longer fund for baggies and encourage city council offices, etc. to handle this expense

Anne-Marie Johnson recommends the purchase of receptacles that restrict to one dog bag per person. Suggestion to leave donation box in park to help fund dog bag purchases, handled by Rec and Parks.

Motion to change language to require partnerships for funding, suggestion to reach out to CD13 and CD4.

Rusty Millar seconds.

Roll call vote.

Motion passes unanimously.

9.3 MOTION (Plante):

Move that the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council approve an additional \$500 be paid to Craig Collins for completion of the Stair Map (up to \$500).

Barbara Ringuette seconds.

Friendly amendment offered:

- 3 weeks from allocation of funds a map must be presented to the SLNC

Formal Amendment to the motion offered by Terrence Jackson

- Change the allocation of fund from Discretionary to Outreach
- Declare budget drawn from Category 600
- Amendment withdrawn to be discussed next month
- Request made by council member Rusty Millar that board views signed contract with artist Craig Collins

Co-Chair Anne-Marie Johnson Motions to postpone until it was verified that fees were paid and if a contract is required by DONE.

Glenn Harrell seconds.

Motion passes.

- 9.4 MOTION (Green Committee):
The Green Committee recommends that the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council send a letter of support to the Department of City Planning regarding the establishment of an Urban Agriculture Incentive Zone Ordinance (UAIZ) for the City of Los Angeles.

Moved by Committee. Scott Plante seconds.

Conditional letter recommended with changes:

1. Use organic/controlled pesticide.
2. Review zoning ordinance in regards to truck farming.
3. Form a standard to ensure safe commercial farming.

Motion passes unanimously.

- 9.5 MOTION (Green Committee):
The Green Committee recommends that the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council add "Adopt A Tree" icon to the front page of the website, to encourage residents to take advantage of free trees provided by the City of Los Angeles.

Moved by Committee. Rusty Millar seconds.

Motion passes unanimously.

- 9.6 MOTION:
Authorize up to \$400.00 to retain freelance to clean and organize existing email lists.

Seconded by Patty Jausoro.

- 9.7 MOTION (Outreach Committee):
Recommend all requests for outreach communication funding first be presented and vetted by the Outreach Committee.

Moved by Committee. Seconded by Doug Loewy.
Motion passes 13-1. Treasurer Patty Jausoro lone objection.

- 9.8 MOTION (Jausoro):

Move that the SLNC pay up to \$300 for rental of a table and umbrella booth for the Ivanhoe down on October 29th so that SLNC can do outreach about upcoming projects and support Halloween safety (up to \$300).

Board was assured that SLNC would be placed on the banner. Too late to add SLNC to posters/fliers.

Seconded by Isroelit.

Motion passes 13-1. Millar lone objection.

10. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

10.1 Co-Chairs
No report.

10.2 Vice-Chair
No report.

10.3 Secretary
No report.

10.4 Correspondence
None.

11. COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

12. REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

13. ANNOUNCEMENTS

14. ADJOURNMENT