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HOMELESSNESS IN SILVER LAKE COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, August 7 from 6:30 pm to 7:45 pm

Silver Lake Public Library, 2411 Glendale Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90039

Co-Chairs: Darius Derakshan & Nithya Raman, dderakshan@gmail.com/nithyawriting@gmail.com

MINUTES

The City’s Neighborhood Council system enables civic participation for all Angelenos and serves as a voice for improving government responsiveness to local communities and their needs. We are an advisory body to the City of Los Angeles, comprised of volunteer stakeholders who are devoted to the mission of improving our communities and bringing government closer to us.

The Committee does not take action on behalf of the full Neighborhood Council Board. It considers proposals and forwards Committee-approved recommendations as proposed motions to the full Board. The Board will consider the Committee's recommendations at a future public Board meeting and may take final action on the recommendations.

Attendees: Nithya Raman, Darius Derakshan, Jennifer Lee, Mike O’Shea, Brigid Kelly, Meghan Choi, Raul Lopez, Cat Kim, Anne-Marie Johnson, Gloria Gallardo, Jed Parriott, Alisa Orduna, Rebecca Rufer, Jesus Torres, Cat Kim, Patty Jausoro

1. **WELCOMING REMARKS:** (5 minutes)

- A. Meeting called to order by Darius Derakshan & Nithya Raman
- B. Committee roll call
- C. Self-Introductions of guests (Please sign-in! It is voluntary, and will help us stay in touch with you.)

2. **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** (5 minutes)

Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Committee’s jurisdiction (Up to two minutes per speaker)

- **Anne-Marie:** Announced the SLNC Public Library talk series, including the first installment, American Muslim
- **Patty:** Announced August 19 LA Works Homeless Pop Up event in Griffith Park, 300 people who will be assembling kits, register online. LA Works.
- **Brigid:** Announced PATH’s Year Long Fundraising campaign, Making It Home. On average, PATH is short \$1000 when moving someone in.
- **Raul:** Announced that LAHSA will host a Homelessness Awareness and Education Day in Echo Park to help educate local residents on how they can help solve our homeless crisis

3. **CO-CHAIR ELECTIONS** (10 minutes)

- Cat Kim nominated Darius Derakshan, Mike O’Shea seconded
- Patty Jausoro nominated Nithya Raman, Jed Parriott seconded
- Darius and Nithya were elected co-chairs unanimously, without abstentions

4. **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:** (5 minutes)

- A. Review and Adoption of March 2017, April 2017, May 2017, and June 2017 minutes
 - Motion passes without unanimously, with no abstentions



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5. PRESENTATIONS: (20 minutes)

- A. 2017 Homeless Count – Silver Lake
 - Raul discussed the homeless count, increase of 14 individuals in make-shift shelters, highest increase in Hollywood. Measure H funds will be allocated using the homeless count, but at the SPA level, not neighborhood level
- B. SELAH (Silver Lake, Echo Park, Los Feliz, Atwater Village, and Hollywood) Neighborhood Homelessness Coalition update
 - Nithya is looking for regular coffee donations, hygiene kits, Patty suggested with speak with Adam Miller for a list of contacts to people who may be able to donate, Anne-Marie stated that Starbucks might be willing to donate coffee, and that the homelessness committee should reach out to business owners near Trader Joes, as they have been affected by the issue of homelessness. be willing to donate
- C. PATH Housing Partnership Program
 - Jennifer Lee of PATH and of the East Hollywood Neighborhood Council discussed the new Housing Partnership Program through PATH, where their organization provides assistance to landlords. PATH has real estate experts, licensed in the state of CA, offering tenant guidance and move in help.
- D. Silver Lake / Sunset Underpass redesign status
 - Co-chairs opened the discussion up to the entire group, Mike O'Shea asked for a transparent process, and wanted everyone invited to the table. Anne-Marie recommended that the committee and the SELAH coalition have weekly dialogue with CD13. Jed Parriott stated that there seems to be some local stigma, and that education about possible solutions to the homeless crisis affecting the underpass could help, but most importantly, hostile architecture should not be employed as a solution.

6. MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS: (15 minutes)

- A. Discussion and possible action to approve a motion to sponsor up to \$1500 for an event to raise awareness about homelessness in Silver Lake and the resources available as well as to fund a hygiene kit drive. The event will be tentatively called the inaugural Silver Lake Homelessness Education Day of Action & Hygiene Kit Drive. Items to be funded include catering, goods used to build hygiene kits, and Facebook advertising to promote the event.
 - Darius moves to discuss the motion, Cat Kim seconds. Anne-Marie moves to submit a friendly amendment to increase funding to \$2000, Nithya seconds. Anne-Marie provides a friendly amendment to have the motion submitted jointly with the Youth Committee, Darius seconds. Discussion closes.
 - The Homelessness Committee recommends that the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council provide funding for the Homelessness Committee in conjunction with the Youth Committee and the 50+ Committee in the amount of \$2,000 for an inter-generational volunteer event to raise awareness about homelessness in Silver Lake and the resources available as well as to fund a hygiene kit drive.
Recommended, unanimously approved by Darius Derakshan, Nithya Raman, Ann-Marie Johnson, Michael O'Shea, Patty Jausoro, Brigid Kelly, Meghan Choi, Gloria Gallardo, Jed Parriott, and Rebecca Rufer
- B. Discussion and possible action to approve submitting a Community Impact Statement on the Homelessness & Poverty Committee's Council File 17-0478 asking that Measure H funds are used locally in Silver Lake and after consultation with community groups in Silver Lake.
 - *Tabled until next meeting*

7. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS: (5 minutes)

- A. Co-Chairs



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8. REQUESTS/MOTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: (5 minutes)

9. ADJOURNMENT

Darius moves to adjourn, Nithya seconds

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