HOMELESSNESS IN SILVER LAKE COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, Dec 6 2018, from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm
Silver Lake Recreation Center, 1850 W Silver Lake Dr, Los Angeles, CA 90026
Co-Chairs: Darius Derakshan & Nithya Raman, dderakshan@gmail.com/nithyawriting@gmail.com

Attendance:
Darius Derakshan
Barbara Ringuette
Dorit Dowler-Guerrero
Douglas Reed
Cathy Takemoto
Miguel Velasco
Kyle Joachim

Meeting called to order at 6:04 pm

Section 2: Public Comments, Non-Agenda Items:
Barbara: Notification of Monday 12/10 Governmental Affairs Meeting, there are very important items on the agenda regarding community plans and beverage notification requirements

Section 3: Administrative Items
3A Darius moves to approve September Minutes, Dorit seconds, all in favor
3B Darius moves to approve October Minutes, Dorit seconds, all in favor

Section 4 - Presentations
4A SELAH Neighborhood Homelessness Coalition - Service Center Search
   Darius provides an update to guests regarding SELAH and its work, Dorit discusses the Service Center report and potential action on a Supportive Housing location in Echo Park
4B SELAH Dinner at Silver Lake Community Church
   Pastor Kyle present, Dorit explains the Wednesday Foodbank that takes place at the church, as well as the newly installed bi-monthly Hot Meal Service, most recently taking place on 12/5 from 5 pm to 6 pm, attended by Dorit, Darius, and Cathy. Pastor Kyle was thanks for opening his doors for this type of service
4C David Ryu CD4 – Councilmember or deputy not present
4D Mitch O’Farrell CD13 – Councilmembers or deputy not present

Section 5 – Motions & Resolutions
5A: Discussion and possible action to approve a motion to sponsor up to $1000 for an event to raise awareness about homelessness in Silver Lake and the resources available as well as to fund a Care Kit, Sock, and Blanket drive. The event will be tentatively called the Silver Lake Homelessness Education Day of Action & Hygiene Kit Drive, to take place in January. Items to be funded include catering, goods used to build Care Kits, and Facebook advertising to promote the event.

   Darius introduces motion, Barbara seconds, and passes unanimously (Yes: Kyle, Dorit, Cathy, Miguel, Doug, Barbara, Darius – Jerome arrives as vote was taking place, Present Not Voting)

Discussion:
   - Barbara asks about the cost last year ($1500), wants to know if the SLNC will have the budget (it appears that we do), and wanted to know which non-profit this will be routed through (SELAH).
   - Miguel suggested we consider also utilizing the Amazon Wish List
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- Kyle mentioned that he could activate his congregation to potentially bring donations weekly

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS: (5 minutes)
- Miguel works for PATH, is a new Silver Lake resident, and is eager to help this community deal with the homeless crisis.

REQUESTS/MOTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: (5 minutes)
- Barbara would like to have her monthly PATH Madison Avenue Meeting Overview be an item on the agenda moving forward
- Barbara would like the Homeless Committee to meet any other time than first Tuesdays at 6 pm

ADJOURNMENT
- Meeting adjourned at 7:01 pm