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LADWP MODULAR OFFICE BUILDING AD HOC COMMITTEE

CO-CHAIRS WILL BE ELECTED

Tuesday, July 30th, 2019 at 7:30PM - 9PM

Location: Silver Lake Rec Center Art Room, 1850 W Silver Lake Dr, Los Angeles, CA 90026.
Street parking or the 201 Metro Bus stops directly outside.

AGENDA

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.

ALL AGENDA ITEMS ARE ACTIONABLE UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

1. WELCOMING REMARKS: (2 minutes)

- A. Call to order
- 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: (15 minutes)

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

3. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS (5 minutes)

- A. Review and approval of draft minutes from the Committee's 7.18.19 meeting, attached as an appendix to this document.

4. CO-CHAIR ELECTIONS

The Ad Hoc Committee has unrestricted membership rules, meaning anyone who is present is considered a member and may vote.

5. MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS: (30 minutes)

- A. *Discussion and Possible Action to draft the Committee's mission statement.*
- B. *Discussion and Possible Action about a community organizing and communications plan to advocate against the LADWP modular office building at the Silver Lake Reservoir.*

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

- A. Co-chair
- B. Co-chair
- C. Members

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



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LADWP Modular Office Building Ad Hoc Committee *informal* meeting
7.18.19

Attendees

Sarah Ullman
Mark Duncan
Freda Shen
Hugh Kenny
Mike Stallcup
Nina Sorkin
Pat
Herb
Tom Mapp
Juliette
Ilanthe Zevos
Bob Hazen
Tom
Paul Emmons

Sarah Ullman: This meeting is informal. The Goods Mart is ADA compliant, but that was not clear to some constituents before the meeting. In addition, there is no public bathroom, though there is an ADA compliant private bathroom. To ensure that no constituents miss out on the opportunity to participate and vote on issues that come before this committee, this will be an informal meeting of this committee. At the next meeting we will vote on Co-Chairs.

Hugh Kenny: I can't visualize what we're talking about. Are there site visits available? Wants to go there

Participants were asked to go around the circle and discuss what they would like to see as the mission of this committee.

Mike - concern is that DWP says that the property they're holding represents 11% but most of that is water. Terrible that they took that out from under us, they've stolen that from the Master Planning process. Some people want to consider an enhanced rec center.

Goal: to get the property back into the Master Planning process

Freda: yet to be persuaded that the DWP shouldn't be there. They are rich and powerful. To give it over, the other public areas are with Rec & Parks, which is a poverty stricken agency. DWP is accommodating. Don't mind them holding that acreage for us.

Goal: DWP to maintain that footprint and their feeling of responsibility

Mark: Wants to persuade Freda. DWP doesn't need to do work there, they are building themselves a nice conference room.

Goal - have the land brought back in to the master plan, maintained as green space, DWP to scale it back

Ilanthe: Green space is at a premium. Want the land to come back into the master plan. DWP there for safety. Discussion about footprint for safety reasons. They are not going to engage in the park process.

Goal - have the parcel come back into the master plan

Tom: I work for a county agency, LACare. Land coming back into master plan process is a good thing. Would like to see us advocate for transparency, inclusiveness, community connection. We need to bring them back into community control.

Goal - taking land into master plan process

Hugh: Wants to know what's going on. Let them have it, the only green space we have, but would like to do what I can. Want to see it left alone. There's a whole ecology. Doesn't want to see it constructed. Want to see it left alone. Doesn't mind there being a modular unit.

Paulette: Wants more transparency. Keep us abreast of the decision making process

Nina: More than 30 trucks that are parked there now. I think 30 cars won't make a difference. I have lived here since 1967. DWP can be responsible and they do listen to community. Property values going down -- that's not true. SLNC should be consistent. Attended the MP work group. Nina is not for swimming, islands, etc.

Pat: sees lots of trucks, has a view, lived there 30 years. Pipe runs down the center of the reservoir. Keep in mind the ecology and view. The DWP has a contractual relationship to maintain water.

Goal - find some the greatest good for the greatest number. Resolution where everybody can be happy.

Herb: DWP has been very good to us. The building of the office building is an ecological and social disaster. It was a political decision. When Marty Adams changed his position everything was good.

Goal - the committee talk to DWP out of building

Paul: DWP approach this as their property, that they have been generous. It's an attitude problem. This is city of LA property. Need to tell us why, and they told the public. Modular building is for workers that should go somewhere else. Green space is at a premium.

Goal - DWP should justify the workers or relocate them.

Bob: It's hard to comment when you don't know where it's going to be put. If it's office workers that don't have to do with the reservoir, they don't need to be there. Plenty of other spaces. Still a green space.

Goal - understand that there is no other place for these workers

Sarah: When we were knocking doors during the election, almost no one knew about this. We should raise awareness.

Goal: take property back into Master Plan process.