

BOYLE HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

General Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 26, 2012

The Boyle Heights Neighborhood Council (BHNC) convened a General Board Meeting at the Boyle Heights Senior Center, 2839 East 3rd Street, Los Angeles, CA 90033 at the above mentioned date. Meeting was called to order at 6:20pm by Eddie Padilla-President.

Commencement

a. Roll Call

Present: Margarita Amador, Secretary
Present: Vera del Pozo, Treasurer
Present: Diana del Pozo-Mora, At Large Member
Present: Eddie Padilla, President
Present: Sergio Guerrero, At Large Member
Present: Joel Ulloa, At Large Member
Absent: Carlos Montes, At Large Member
Absent: Christopher de Leon, At Large Member
Present: Michael McClure, Land Use Officer
Absent: William Morrison, At Large Member (arrived at 6:25pm)
Present: Geza Gezadon, At Large Member
Present: Danny Bozarth, At Large Member
Absent: Edward Torrez, At Large Member
Present: Kenneth Wyrick, At Large Member
Absent: Jesus Hermosillo, At Large Member
Absent: Joe Sandoval, At Large Member

Item # II of the Agenda: Pledge of Allegiance

Item # III of the Agenda: Public Comment

- Rosalie Gurolla wanted to report possible Brown Act and Roberts Rules of Order at the last Executive Committee meeting, discussions were being made on items being place on the agenda for this General Board meeting.

Item # IV of the Agenda: Motion to approve this agenda for the September 26, 2012 Board meeting.

- Michael McClure motioned to approve the September 26, 2012 Board meeting agenda. Second by Vera del Pozo.
Vote was unanimous

- Michael McClure motioned to move item # XV General Public Comment to the top of the agenda. Second by Margarita Amador.
Yes: 9
No: 1 (Kenneth Wyrick)
Abstaining: 0

Item # V of the Agenda: Motion to approve minutes of the General Board meeting of August 29, 2012.

- Michael McClure motioned to approve the minutes of the General Board meeting of August 29, 2012. Second by Diana del Pozo-Mora.
Vote was unanimous

Item # VI of the Agenda: Government Reports

- A) LAPD Hollenbeck – Senior Lead Officer Joel Perez
- ✓ Grand Theft Auto's continue to be on the rise as well as Property Crime
 - ✓ Burglary to Motor Vehicles also on the rise, people continue not to secure their valuables.
 - ✓ To date there have been 14 Homicides.

Public Comment:

- Luis Melchor extended an invitation to the YMCA block party to be held on October 21st from 5:00pm to 8:00pm and the YEC on October 1st from 4:30pm to 6:30pm.
- Connie Topete, Sr. Librarian at Malabar.
 - ✓ Library has new hours
 - ✓ Citizenship Corner which hopes to encourage residents to become US Citizens
 - ✓ A Deferred Action Information Session will be held on October 4th at 6pm

Item # VII of the Agenda: Outreach Committee Items:

- a. Motion to approve an interim chair for the Outreach Committee.
- President Eddie Padilla appoints Vera del Pozo to be the Interim Chair and Geza Gezadon will Co-Chair until elections.

Public Comment:

- ✓ Terry Marquez suggests that another Board member be given the opportunity since Vera is already the Chair for the Budget & Finance Committee.
- ✓ Michael McClure suggested that the Outreach Committee contact Healthier Boyle Heights and inform them of BHNC.

Item # VIII of the Agenda: Budget and Finance Committee Items

- a. Treasurer's Report
- In October the quarterly report will be submitted only for the Purchasing Card.

Item # IX of the Agenda: Planning and Land Use Committee items

- a. PLUC Chair Report
- Presented a copy of the Policy Statement that was adopted at the April 25, 2012 General Board meeting to become public record.
 - Expressed concerned about the lack of community outreach regarding the 6th Street Viaduct project.
 - There has been not been an action item on the Wyvernwood redevelopment project.

Item # X of the Agenda: Rules and Election Committee Items

- a. Report from Rules and Election chair
- At least 5 volunteers are needed for polling at the Benjamin Franklin Library on October 13th.
- b. Announcement concerning Forum for October 11, 2012, 6pm to 8pm, Puente Learning Center.
- All candidates are encouraged to attend and help outreach to stakeholders
- c. Candidates Introduction (30 seconds per speaker)
- Each candidate present was given about a minute to briefly share their interest in being a BHNC member.
 - Votes will be certified at night the same day as elections and will be posted.
 - There are 5 days after election for any challenges
 - All elected members will be seated at the October General Board meeting.

- d. Approve a draft response to Manny Aldana concerning grievances
 - Vera del Pozo motioned to approve the draft responses to Manny Aldana concerning grievances. Second by Kenneth Wyrick.
Yes: 7
No: 0
Abstaining: 3 (Danny Bozarth, Michael McClure, Margarita Amador)
- e. Elections October 13, 2012
 - Tools for Candidates
 - Community Barbecue – in honor of Ross Valencia

Item # XI of the Agenda: *Neighborhood Committee Items*

- a. Report from the Neighborhood Committee Chair
 - A meeting is scheduled for the 1st of the month

Item # XII: *Motion to approve Community Officers from nomination*

- Joel Ulloa and Geza Gedazon self nominated to serve as Community Officers for the October 25, 2012 Executive Committee meeting.

Item # XIII of the Agenda: *Motion to approve a resolution in support of the City Council's resolution concerning amending the US Constitution to firmly establish that corporations must not be considered full persons entitled to Constitutional rights in the eyes of the law and that money is not equivalent to speech.*

Board Comment:

- Michael McClure is protesting this motion.
- Margarita Amador motions to postpone this item indefinitely. Second by Michael McClure.
Yes: 4
No: 5
Abstaining: 1 (Eddie Padilla)
- Kenneth Wyrick to approve a resolution in support of the City Council's resolution concerning amending the US Constitution to firmly establish that corporations must not be considered full persons entitled to Constitutional rights in the eyes of the law and that money is not equivalent to speech. Second by Diana del Pozo-Mora.
Yes: 6
No: 3 (Margarita Amador, Michael McClure, Sergio Guerrero)
Abstaining: 1 (Vera del Pozo)

Item # XIV of the Agenda: *Motion to approve changes to regularly scheduled BHNC meetings.*

- a. October General Board meeting changed to October 30, 2012 instead of October 31, 2012.
- b. November Executive Committee meeting changed to November 20, 2012 instead of November 22, 2012.
- Vera motioned to change meetings as stated. Second by Sergio Guerrero.
Yes: 9
No: 0
Abstaining: 1 (Michael McClure)

Item # XV of the Agenda: *General Public Comment on issues not on the General Board Meeting Agenda.*

- Vile Charbey Southern California Urban Network expressed concerned regarding ELACC and his proposed documentary project related to Aliso Village.

Item # XVI of the Agenda: *Next meeting: October 30, 2012 at 6: 15pm at BH Sr. Center*

Item # XVII of the Agenda: *Adjournment*

- Margarita Amador motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:45pm. Second by Diana del Pozo-Mora.
Vote was unanimous