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Transportation and Environment Committee (TEC)
Robert L. Stevenson Library [803 Spence St, Los Angeles, CA 90023]
Tuesday, March 13, 2018 at 6:15 pm



1. Welcome, Roll Call, and Introduction of Committee

[5min]

Called to Order: 6:18pm
All committee members present

2. TEC Business

[10min]

- a. Update on any BHNC/ TEC or community related items
- b. Notice of Vacancies: 3
- c. Motion to approve minutes for previous TEC meetings: n/a
- d. Open Submission/ Discussion on non-agenda TEC items
 - i. Description: TEC will allow for the community to submit items that they would like addressed at future TEC meetings

Public Comment: Highway overpass by Whittier/Lorena lacks adequate lighting/
Hollenbeck Park has replaced water fountains, 3-tier, dogs drinking for bottom
Board Comment: Jose- Industrial area near Olympic has many street lights out/ Jeff-
There was a planting event at Hollenbeck Park a year ago, area where approx. 5 new
trees planted seem to be under construction

3. Presenters/ Gov't Reports- NONE

[5min]

4. Reports

[10 min]

- a. Boyle Heights Community Plan
 - i. www.bhplan.org
 - ii. Discussion on which sections to address at next meeting

Looking to review current goals and possible list some that are not on file; will seek
out appropriate groups work on various issues

April Mtg: Wellness and Sustainability

May Mtg: Mobility and Connectivity

June Mtg: Public Realm and Open Space

- b. Exide – Resurrection Group
 - i. Meet every Monday at Resurrection Church, 6pm
 - ii. Discussion on how to support efforts
- c. Alliance of River Communities (ARC)
 - i. Meet the last Monday of the month, locations vary, 7pm
 - ii. Looking for BH representative
 - iii. Introducing letter regarding water contamination in LA River
 - iv. Introducing letter for translation services to be covered by Empower LA
 - v. Lincoln Heights – 5 sites of homeless housing
 - vi.

Jeff wondering if there is a website or somewhere to follow up on issues; neither Exide or ARC have active online presence

5. Council Files

[7min]

- a. 17-1063: City of LA/ Community Parks Condition Survey & Report Card**
- i. CCERP- rating each park
 - ii. Discussion and possible action to submit Community Impact Statement (CIS) in support of file

Public Comment: Report card would help rate the park on many levels, including but not limited to programing, bathrooms, and water fountains

Motion: Veronica – to submit CIS in support of council file 17-1063

Second: Jose

Vote: 0-0-3-0, motion passes

b. 17-1705: Citywide Sign Ordinance

- i. City Planning Commission Recommendation v. PLUM Requested Changes
- ii. Discussion and possible action to submit Community Impact Statement (CIS) regarding file

Public Comment: Digital Signage is very distracting

Board Comment: Would like to keep billboard signage out of parks and public spaces, also we have a lot of freeways and signs facing freeways can lead to higher accidents

Motion: Jose – to submit CIS in favor of supporting city planning commission report

Second: Jeff

Vote: 0-0-3-0, motion passes

6. TEC Bylaws

[5 min]

- a. Discussion and possible action to amend current bylaws pertaining to TEC
- b. <http://bhnc.net/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/BHNC-ApprovedBylaws070117.pdf>

Motion- Veronica to revise the listed sections as follows:

Article VII. Section 1.3.g.i.2: No Board Member may serve more ~~tan~~ than two (2) consecutive terms as Transportation and Environment Committee Chair

Article VII. Section 1.3.g.iii: Provides the Board, it's committees, and the community with updates on all *transportation and* environmental issues ~~previously taken by the Board or continuously effecting~~ affecting Boyle Heights.

Second: Jose

Vote: 0-0-3-0, motion passes

7. Sweeping Saturdays

[10min]

- a. Discussion and possible action to set schedule for cleanups/ beautification projects through Dec 2018
- b. All streets with code 3-red will be considered for projects
 - i. <http://cleanstreetsla.com/cleanstat/>

Public Comment: There are a lot of people wanting to do cleanups, helps get people involved, can commit to third Saturday of the month

Board Comment: would support outreach efforts, should rotate among the districts, can invite SLO of area, also council members office, would alternate between clean ups and beautifications. Jeff owns power washer. If passes locations will be selected next month, all submissions will be considered

Motion: Veronica – to schedule a cleanup/ beautification project on 3rd Saturday of every month through Dec 2018.

Second: Jeff

Vote: 0-0-3-0, motion passes

- c. Follow through previous cleanup projects
 - i. Motion to approve Call to Action regarding Cummings and Olympic

Motion: Jose- to create call of action to reinstate street cleaning on Cummings and Olympic and installing grate on sewer openings

Second: Veronica

Vote:0-0-3-0, motion passes

- ii. Boyle Heights sign on Via Verde only reads “eights”

Comments: should remove tulle lettering, need to make cleanups more than a photo opportunity

- iii. Spring 2018 Plaza Application April 2- May 31, 2018
 - 1. Discussion and possible action to approve application

Public Comments: We need to try to improve forgotten areas for ourselves. The families of Pico Gardens would be excited for fixing up Anderson/Azusa

Board Comments: Potential Areas: Lorena under 4th Street Bridge, Alley a block from 4th street between Chicago and St. Louis, Anderson/ Azusa behind Mendez High School, in front of 5 Puntos; if passes will vote on location next month

Motion: Jose- to select location and apply for the Plaza Application

Second: Jeff

Vote: 0-0-3-0, motion passes

- 2. http://peoplest-prod.azurewebsites.net/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/2018_02_26_PlazaAppManual-2018-web-size.pdf

8. Libraries

[9min]

- a. Benjamin Franklin
 - i. Discussion on possible solutions for Homeless individuals using drugs in public prior to library opening

Public Comments: Need to set up “help” tables to outreach to homeless individuals there, talk to LAPD and make sure they are crossing the street to deal discourage open drug usage, can we talk to LAPL to put a security guard there even if its limited hours

Board Comments: Seeking out organizations in field and identify the library as location to be outreached to

- b. Malabar
 - i. No signage on building- missing wall sign/ missing stand signage
 - 1. Discussion and possible action to submit CIS
 - ii. No street signage on intersection on Forest/ Wabash

Public Comments: No one can ever find Malabar Library, most people drive by it. Parking is also an issue there

Board Comments: Signs have been missing over a decade; Jeff may be able to assist with wooden signs

Motion: Veronica Submit CIS requesting that lack of sufficient signage be remedied

Second: Jose

Vote: 0-0-3-0, motion passes

- c. Stevenson
 - i. Damaged over the door signage/ missing stand signage
 - 1. Discussion and possible action to submit CIS
 - 2. No street signage on intersection on Spence/ Whittier; Lorena/ Whittier; Indiana/ Whittier

Board Comment: Library is off a main street, hidden

Motion: Veronica Submit CIS requesting that lack of sufficient signage be remedied

Second: Jose

Vote: 0-0-3-0, motion passes

9. Parks

[10min]

- a. Hollenbeck Park
 - i. Discussion of most pressing problems
 - ii. Discussion of how to support CCERP in efforts to restore park
 - iii. Lake Rehabilitation Project

Public Comments: ideas: kids only bathroom, hand sanitizer by the children's plays areas, increased activation, create volunteers, ask department of disability to asses park

- b. Discussion and possible action to set up walk audits with each of the 5 parks in BH

Public Comments: Walk audits should be extended to all pocket parks. Park behind Salesian unsafe and dark

Board Comments: See if there areas the council can advocate for that don't fall under RAP responsibilities. Ex. Street Lights

Motion: Jose to conduct walk audits to all parks in BH

Second: Jeff

Vote: 0-0-3-0, motion passes

10. General Comments On Non-Agenda Items

[10min]

Comments: all matters regarding trees

11. Next TEC Meeting

[5min]

- a. April 10th 6:15pm, Location TBD (District 2/4)
- b. Vision Zero: <http://visionzero.lacity.org/>

12. Announcements

[2min]

- a. Budget Committee: 3/20/18 at Stevenson Library, 6:15 pm
- b. Executive Committee Meeting: 3/22/18 @ 6pm, Benjamin Franklin Library
- c. Special Meeting (Bylaws): 3/23/18 at 2516 E. 1st Street, 6pm
- d. General Board: 3/28/18 at Boyle Heights City Hall, 6:15 pm
- e. Planning & Land Use Committee Meeting: 4/12/18 at Benjamin Franklin Library, 6:15 pm

13. Adjournment – 7:42pm