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Boyle Heights Neighborhood Council  
**General Board Meeting REVISED Agenda**  
**MINUTES**

**Boyle Heights City Hall**  
**2130 E. First Street, Los Angeles, CA 9003**  
**Wednesday, August 22, 2018 at 6:15 pm**



**1. Community**

**Spotlight [10 minutes]**- Presentation by Tiffany Lam from Nature for All on last month’s “Boyle Heights to San Gabriel Mountains” walk and hike. Nature for All works to build a diverse base of support for ensuring that everyone in the Los Angeles area—no matter where they live—has equitable access to the wide range of benefits that nature can provide.

A. Nature For All, has a program called Leadership Academy, which helps educate, develop, fund and encourage environmental stewards to care for public lands, protection and enhancement of our mountains, forests, rivers, parks and urban spaces.

B. “Boyle Height to San Gabriel Mountains” is a project started by Tiffany - Recap of their two day event Boyle Heights Walking Tour: Placemaking to Activism.

i. Day one, focused on public resources, or lack there of, for access to nature and related activities.

ii. Day two, focused on Transit To Trails, a summer program where you can get off at the gold station in Pasadena, and take a bus to the San Gabriel Mountains.

C. Slideshow, of day one and two of group activities and presentations.

**2. Meeting to be called to order (2 minutes)**

The Meeting was called to order by Daisy Chavez (President) at 6:46pm.

**3. Welcome and roll call (2 minutes)**

Daisy Chávez (President):	Present
Veronica Polanco (Vice President):	Present
Kalin Balcomb (Secretary):	Present
Jose Pelico (Treasurer):	Present
Rafael Chagoya (Planning & Land Use Community Seat):	Present
Mayra Carillo (Outreach & Special Events Community Seat):	Present
Dina Cruz (Area 3 Officer):	Present
Karina Rivera (Area 2 Officer):	Absent
Carlos Montes (Area 4 Officer):	Present
Marisol Sanchez (Rules & Elections Community Seat):	Late/arrived 7:09pm
Vivian Escalante (Historical Preservation Community Seat):	Late/arrived 7:05pm
Alessandro Negrete (Community Seat):	Present
Lizzette Perez (Community Seat):	Present, left 8:58pm
Lizzette Perez (Community Seat):	Present
Ana Antuna (Community Seat):	Present

**4. Pledge of Allegiance (3 minutes)**

5. **General Public Comment – (Limited to 2 minutes per speaker)**

The public may provide comments to the board on non-agenda items within the Neighborhood Council's subject matter jurisdiction. However, please note that under the Brown Act, the board is prevented from acting on the issue you bring to its attention until the matter is agendaized for discussion at a future public meeting.

A. **South Coast Air Quality Management District (announcement):** providing information on Proposed Amended Rule 1469, hexavalent chromium emissions from chromium electroplating and chromic acid anodizing operations.

i. A summary of proposed additional requirements for facilities and a public comment session for community will be held on two dates: August, 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 5:00pm Lambert Park Auditorium 11431 McGirk Ave. El Monte  
August, 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 5:00pm Bishop Mora Salesian High School (Multi Purpose Rm.) 960 S Soto St. Los Angeles, CA 90038

ii. Announcement, 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Environmental Justice Conference. Technology's Role in the Future of Environmental Justice.

Wednesday, September 26, 2018. 9am-1pm  
The Huffington Center at The Saint Sophia Cathedral  
1324 Normandie Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90006

B. **Mr. Tapia (announcement):** Roosevelt High School Comprehensive Modernization Project. Pre-Construction Parent & Community meeting. Tuesday August 28, 2018 6pm. In the Roosevelt HS Gymnasium 456 S Mathews St Los Angeles, CA 90033.

C. **Dulce Acosta (announcement):** USC Bridges To Business Success, Business leadership training 10 Saturdays September 8 to November 17 2018 for existing business owners in the Boyle Heights, Lincoln Heights, El Sereno area. Scholarships available. Informational Meetings Thursday, Aug. 23rd and 30th, 2018 at 6pm at Keck Of USC Building 1640 Marengo St., 7th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90033

D. **Ms. Gonzales:** Providing awareness on prop 10, Local Rent Control Initiative (2018) is an initiated state statute that would repeal the Costa-Hawkins Rental Housing Act (Costa-Hawkins), thus allowing local governments to adopt rent control ordinances-regulations that govern how much landlords can charge tenants for renting apartments.

6. **Government Reports**

A. **Jose Pelico - Budget Advocate Update**

i. Mayor's Office reviewing schedule of Budget Advocates to share concerns  
Drafting reports by November 14<sup>th</sup> maximizing efficiency, access to unused funds, homelessness, maximizing dollars

B. **Mary Kim – Neighborhood Council Advocate**

i. Announcement: Night Program to help young women ages 20-24 to get involved in public office and government. Please spread the word and recommend potential candidates.

ii. Saturday September 22nd networking event. 800 guests expected. All community members invited.

iii. Elections are coming up.

C. **Miriam Rodriguez – Office of Councilmember Jose Huizar**

i. Project involving 5.2 million dollars in improvements of street lights, and sidewalks.

Unfortunately, around 60 trees that are destabilized and hazardous are ordered to for removal. However, the project will bring back trees into the area. A date for picking out the species of trees will soon be announced.

ii. Construction is expected to finalize in 2020. From Indiana to 10 fwy. It will take about a year and a half to complete.

iii. Meeting roundabout, with an art component, September 4th at Boyle Heights Technology Center.

iv. Board Comment: The board asks for a meeting with the council member. 2016 was the last time the council member met with the board.

D. Catalina -LA City Attorney and Victims assistance program

i. Helps victims of violent crimes, by accessing medical assistance, mental health services, relocation, but most important help victims who have never had contact with law enforcement through the process.

7. **Consent Calendar [5 minutes]:** In an effort to conduct a more efficient Neighborhood Council meeting, the agenda will contain a “Consent Calendar” which permits routine matters or non-controversial issues to be handled by one motion. There is no discussion of these items prior to the motion to approve the entire Consent Calendar unless a Board Member or the public request that the item be removed for discussion and separate action.

A. Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for July 2018.

B. Minutes for July 25, 2018 - General Board Meeting

\*Motion to adopt Consent Calendar by Daisy Chavez seconded by Alessandro Negrete

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C. votes: 14 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain

8. **Announcement of Resignation by Alex Bowman from Board**

Karina Rivera resigned as well.

9. **Announcement of VACANCIES for the General Board [3 minutes]:**

i. Three (3) open Community Seats available.

ii. One (1) open Area 1 Seats available.

10. **Discussion and possible action to elect three (3) Community Seats [15 minutes].**

Please see description page attached.

**Daisy motioned, Rafael seconded.**

A. Wendy Castro nominates herself. Cal State LA graduate. Lives in Boyle Heights. Currently works for a non profit helping youth to a second chance in the justice system.

B. Steven Alesan Nominates himself. Originally from Boyle Heights, son of immigrants, USC graduate with a bachelors in psychology, UC Berkeley, graduate with a masters in public policy.

C. Votes

i. Wendy Castro: 10 yes, 3 no, 1 abstain

ii. Steven Alesan: 9 yes, 3 no, 2 abstain

11. **Discussion and possible action to elect one (1) Area 1 Seat [10 minutes].**

Please see description page attached.

A. Patti Polanco nominates herself.

B. Votes

i. Patti: 12 yes, 1 no, 1 person excused

12. **Executive Reports**

- A. President's Report
  - a. Encouragement participation for Summer Night Lights, food activities, and opportunities to get to know the community and help build community resiliency to the influence of gangs and gang violence.
- B. Vice President's Report:
  - I. Missing Minutes from July
  - II. Confirmation on September Dates for ALL Committees
- C. Treasurer's Report
  - I. Updated Budget Guidelines
  - II. BHNC Current Balance
- D. Secretary's Report (None)

**13. Budget & Finance Committee Agenda Items (30 minutes)**

- A. Motion for the BHNC Board to approve the completed inventory of BHNC's assets -
  - >Budget Recommendation (2 yes, 0 no, 1 vacant)
  - i. Jose motioned, Rafael seconded, vote: 12 yes, 2 no, 0 abstain, 3 ineligible
- B. Motion for the BHNC Board to approve up to \$1,000.00 for public space Blueberry Hill located in Boyle Heights and deducted from CIP fund
  - >Budget Recommendation (2 yes, 0 no, 1 vacant)
  - >TEC Recommendation (2 yes, 0 no, 1 absent, 2 vacant)
  - i. Jose motioned, Carlos seconded, vote: 14 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 3 ineligible.
- C. Motion for the BHNC Board to approve up to \$400.00 for Sweeping Saturdays
  - I. Description: Up to \$100.00 per Saturday for refreshments/food from September to December BHNC Sweeping Saturdays
    - >Budget Recommendation (2 yes, 0 no, 1 vacant)
    - >TEC Recommendation (2 yes, 0 no, 1 absent, 2 vacant)
    - i. Jose motioned, Veronica seconded, vote: 14 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 3 ineligible
- D. Motion for the BHNC Board to approve up to \$60.00 for refreshments at the Education Forum
  - >Budget Recommendation (2 yes, 0 no, 1 vacant)
  - >TEC Recommendation (2 yes, 0 no, 1 absent, 2 vacant)
  - i. Jose motioned, Veronica seconded, vote: 14 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain
- E. Motion for the BHNC Board to approve up to \$500.00 for new board members and board members under 50 business cards.
  - >Budget Recommendation (2 yes, 0 no, 1 vacant)
  - >Outreach Recommendation (3 yes, 0 no)
  - i. Jose motioned, Rafael seconded, vote: 14 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain
- F. Motion for the BHNC Board to approve up to \$500.00 for BHNC board member hanging tags
  - >Budget Recommendation (2 yes, 0 no, 1 vacancy)
  - >Outreach Recommendation (3 yes, 0 no)
  - i. Jose motioned, Veronica seconded, vote: 14 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain
- G. Motion for the BHNC Board to approve up to \$500.00 in advertising for Roosevelt Classic High School Football Game.
  - >Budget Recommendation (2 yes, 0 no, 1 vacancy)
  - >Outreach Recommendation (3 yes, 0 no)
  - i. Jose motioned, Veronica seconded, vote: 14 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain

- H. Motion for the BHNC Board to approve up to \$500.00 in advertising at Mendez High School Football Homecoming Game.  
 >Budget Recommendation (2 yes, 0 no, 1 vacancy)  
 >Outreach Recommendation (3 yes, 0 no)  
 i. Jose motioned, Veronica seconded, vote: 14 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain
- I. Motion for the BHNC Board to approve up to \$300.00 for Executive Board titles and Area [1, 2, 3, 4] Officer placards -  
 >Budget Recommendation (2 yes, 0 no, 1 vacancy)  
 >Outreach Recommendation (3 yes, 0 no)  
 i. Jose motioned, Vivian seconded, vote: 14 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain
- J. Motion for the BHNC Board to deny the C.A.S. American Veterans Foundation Neighborhood Purpose Grant (NPG) up to \$5,000.00  
 i. Description: Seeking to train and provide job placement for U.S. Veterans and youth -Motion to deny NPG and reach out to Ad Hoc Public Safety Committee Chair.  
 >Budget Recommendation (2 yes, 0 no, 1 vacancy)  
 i. Jose motioned to deny, Kalin seconded, vote: 11 yes, 2 no, 1 abstain
- K. Motion for the BHNC Board to approve the Justice for My Sister Neighborhood Purpose Grant (NPG) up to \$1,500.00 with the Budget and Finance Committee recommendation of \$500.000  
 i. Description: Support an 8-week summer program Nuevas Novelas filmmaking bootcamp for young women and non-binary youth in Boyle Heights.  
 >Budget Recommendation ( 2 yes, 0 no, 1 vacancy)  
 i. Rafael motioned, Alessandro seconded, vote: 12 yes, 2 no, 0 abstain
- L. Motion for the BHNC Board to approve the EnrichLA Neighborhood Purpose Grant (NPG) up \$300.00 to 2nd Street Elementary, Hollenbeck Middle School, and Utah Street Elementary School excluding Variety Boys and Girls Club  
 i. Description: Offer the Garden Ranger Program at 2nd Street Elementary School, Hollenbeck Middle School, Utah Street Elementary School and Variety Boys and Girls Club.  
 >Budget Recommendation ( 2 yes, 0 no, 1 vacancy)  
 i. Jose motioned, Vivian seconded, vote: 14 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain

**14. Transportation & Environment Committee Agenda Items (20 minutes)**

- iii. Discussion/ Action to approve recommendations resulting from the BH Plan roundtables from TEC committee specifically addressing sections 2.2.5 Wellness and Sustainability, Ch.3 Mobility and Connectivity, Ch.4 Public Realm and Open Space  
 I. TEC Recommendation (2 yes, 0 no, 1 absent)  
 i. vote: 13 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain

- iv. Discussion/ Action to have a letter of support to keep public restrooms open in public parks  
I.TEC Recommendation (2yes, 0 no, 1 absent)  
**i. Veronica motioned, Karlos seconded, vote: 12 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain**
- v. Discussion/ Possible Action to support the Alliance of River Communities Symposium  
up to \$500  
I. Proposed Budget and Agenda submitted for review  
II.TEC Recommendation (2 yes, 0 no, 1 absent)  
**i. Veronica motioned, Jose seconded, vote: 13 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain**
- vi. Discussion/ Possible Action to begin a no straw/ sin popote por favor campaign  
I. Tentative Timeline: November 13- April 7, 2019  
II. TEC Recommendation (2 yes, 0 no, 1 absent)  
**i. vote: 13 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain**
- vii. Public Works Liaison Update
- viii. Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) Update

**15. Rules & Elections Committee Agenda Items (10 minutes)**

- A. Update by REC Chair.
- B. Discussion and possible action to submit a CIS to City Council, Committees, and Commissions regarding Neighborhood Council Reform motion (CF 18-0467)
  - I. Description: Introduced on May 25, 2018 and referred to Health, Education and Neighborhoods Councils Committee. Motion is instructing the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment with assistance as needed from the CLA, CAO, City Clerk and City Attorney, to report back in 60 days on various recommendations that include amending City Charter and Los Angeles Administrative Code to reform the Neighborhood Council System. <http://tiny.cc/NCReform>
  - II. Motion to (Marisol/Hector): Recommend to submit a CIS in SUPPORT of CF 18-0467, to include a designated point person on staff to follow up with information with the city and city departments, and pending additional board suggestions.
  - III. Vote: 0 [abstention] – 0 [opposition] – 2 [approval]  
**a. Vote: 12 yes, 1 no, 0 abstain**
- C. Discussion to partner with local agencies/groups to provide voter education for November 6, 2018 election.
  - I. Description: Identify community agencies/groups already providing voter education for the November elections and host an event/s to benefit the community. [See exhibit A]
  - II. Motion (Marisol/Hector) to approve up to \$800 for up to four (4) BHNC town hall meetings for [ballot initiatives](#) appearing on the November 6, 2018 general election.
  - III. Vote: 0 [abstention] – 0 [opposition] – 3 [approval]  
**a. Motion to table:13 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain**
- D. Discussion and review of the 2019 Elections Worksheet.
  - I. Description: Review the Neighborhood Council's polling place, polling place hours, and translation preferences for the 2019 Neighborhood Council Elections. [See 2019 Election Information Worksheet]
  - II. Motion (Marisol/Hector) to approve up to \$5,000 towards the cost of online voting and vote by mail for BHNC's April 2019 elections.
  - III. Vote: 0 [abstention] – 0 [opposition] – 3 [approval]

a. Motion to approve 2019 Elections Worksheet without having to approve \$5,000,  
Vote: 13 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain

E. Discussion and timeline for the 2019 BHNC Elections.

I. Description: Increase voter turnout from 2016 elections, turnout was less than 400. Create a “Somos Boyle Heights” campaign to raise BHNC’s profile of April 2019 elections.

II. Motion (Hector/Marisol) to approve up to \$1,700 towards purchasing double sided informational cards to include timeline of BHNC elections for distribution.

III. Vote: 0 [abstention] – 0 [opposition] – 3 [approval]

a. Vote: 14 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain

F. Grievance Panel Liaison Update

G. City Attorney Liaison Update

#### 16. Planning and Land Use Agenda Items (10 minutes)

A. Discussion/ Possible Action on CF 17-0981 Issue Over the Counter/ On-Site Alcohol Sale/ Conditional Use Permits. (Please see attachment)

B. PlanCheckNC Liaison Update

C. DWP MOU Oversight Committee Representative Update

D. DWP Advocacy Committee Representative Update

E. Film Liaison Update

D. Additional time sensitive actions for BHNC’s PLUC:

**Motion to submit a letter from the BHNC board against the CUP expedited purpose**

- **Note on meeting time: September 13<sup>th</sup>, second Thursday 6:15pm, Benjamin Franklin Library**

#### 17. Outreach Committee Agenda Items (15 minutes)

A. Update on approved items

I. see attachment, making efforts to purchase items locally

B. Update on approved events

I. Senior Event

a. Tentative date is October 25 form 11-1pm at Evergreen Senior Center

b. Attendance approx. 75

C. Requesting that board members begin to write a 1-2 paragraph summary of events

I. This is to encourage current stories on the website accomplishment tabs, consistent submission to EmpowerLAs newsletter, the BH Beat

D. Discussion/ Possible Action on Boyle Heights Arts Conservatory - Radio 101.5

I. Opportunity to create a BHNC show to discuss community issues, promote events, interview key leaders, etc. Still in planning stages.

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a. Is open to everyone with media experience.

**Motion to create Boyle Heights radio show by Veronica, Daisy seconded, 13 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain**

E. Purposeful Aging Liaison Update

a. Tentative date for Senior Dance is October 25 form 11-1pm at Evergreen Senior Center

b. Attendance expected approx. 75

F. Homelessness Liaison Update

1. Shower of Hope Trailer, food and clothes provided, Sunday from 11:00-2:00pm, Clinca

Romero Parking lot is the meeting place 2032 Marengo St

**18. Ad Hoc Historical Preservation (5 minutes)**

- A. Additional time sensitive actions for BHNC Historical Preservation Committee

**19. Neighborhood Committee Agenda Items (5 minutes)**

- A. Ramona Gardens meeting regarding Orphan City status update

Ramona meeting postponed

- B. BH Plan coverage in Sept. 5 Urban Form
- C. Animal Services Liaison Update

i. 325 animals were saved from last events.

- D. Neighborhood Council Emergency Preparedness Alliance Update

**20. Ad Hoc Public Safety**

- A. Additional time sensitive actions for BHNC Public Safety Committee

**21. Announcements**

- A. Shower of Hope ongoing on Sundays at 11-2 pm
- B. Sweeping Saturdays is ongoing on 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month – Blueberry Hill on Sept. 15, 2018.
- C. Congress of Neighborhoods on 9/22/2018: Registration is now open
- D. Annual SHG – 8/29/2018, 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Chicano Moratorium
- E. Ya Basta – The East LA Walkouts and the Power of Protest – A retrospective Exhibit (6/15/2018-02/25/2019)

**22. Adjournment**

A. 9:51pm meeting adjournment.